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Introducing the New PATH Annual Report

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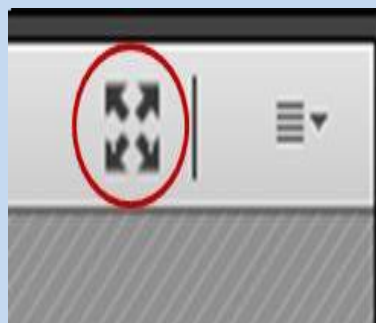
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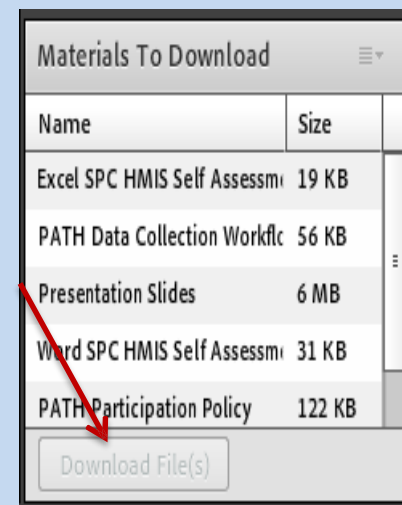
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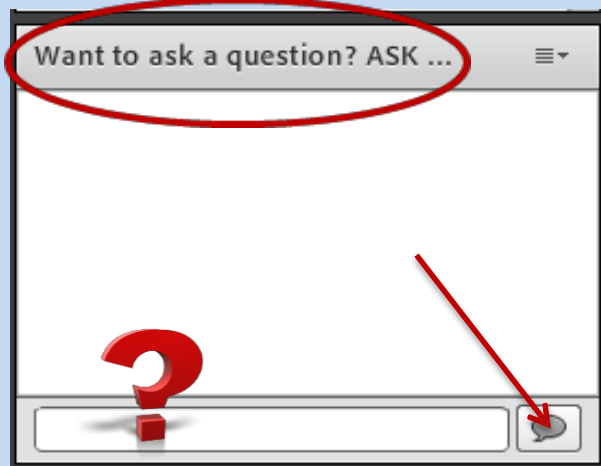


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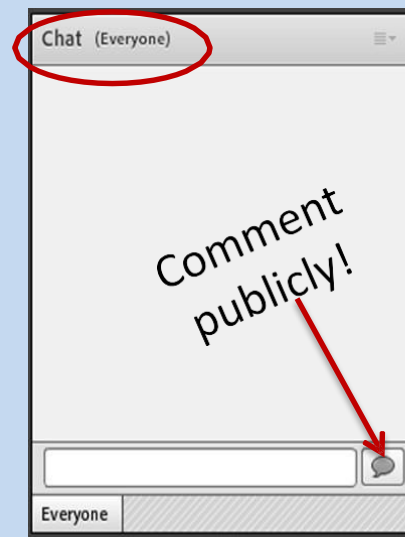
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Introduction

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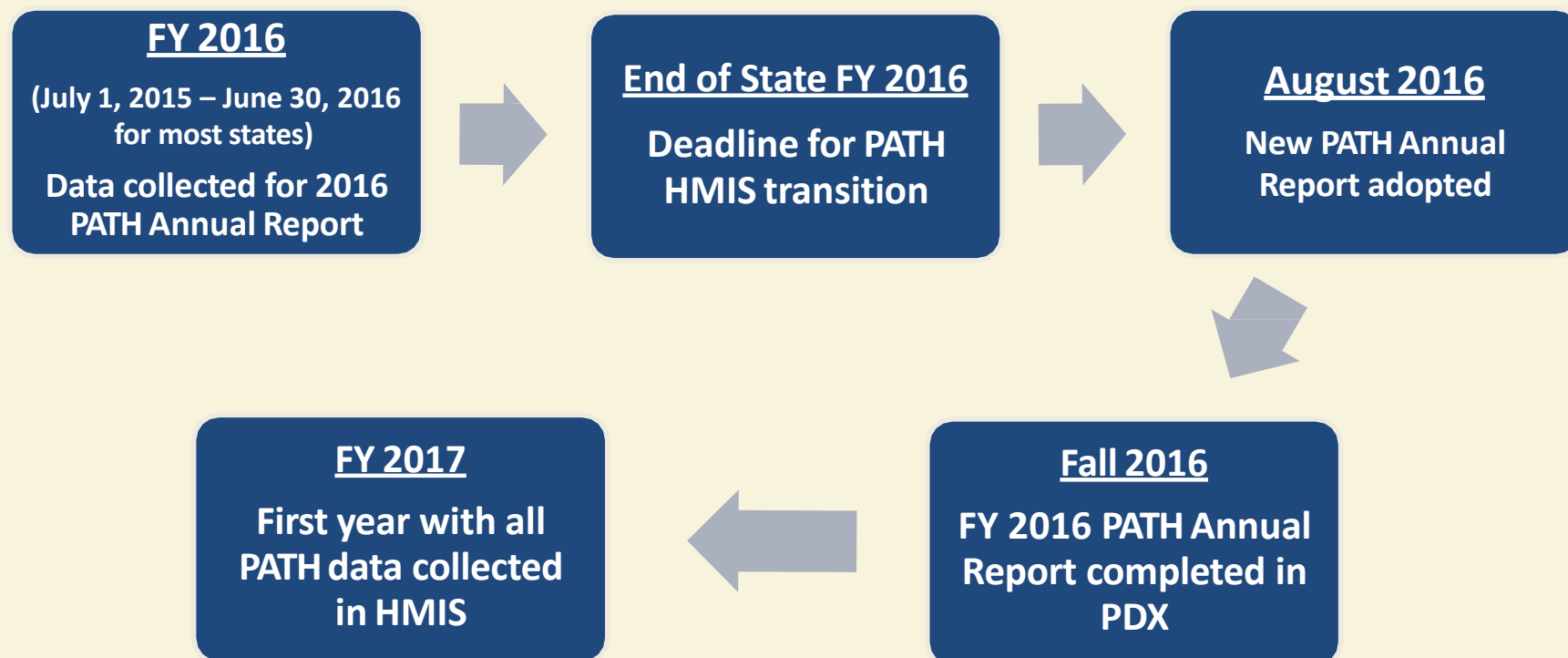
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Learning Objectives

Upon completion of the webinar, participants will be able to

- identify changes to the PATH Annual Report,
- understand the data elements and new definitions in the PATH Annual Report,
- describe the relationship between PATH Annual Report elements and data elements in HMIS, and
- identify the steps for proper PATH data collection in HMIS.

PATH Reporting Timeline



Transition Guidance

- **FY 2016 report**

- Data elements that were on the previous report form and are on the new report form are required to be reported
- New data elements are optional

- **FY 2017 report**

- All data elements on the new report are required to be reported
- All data can be collected in HMIS
 - Exception: Number of trainings provided by PATH-funded staff (not collected in HMIS)

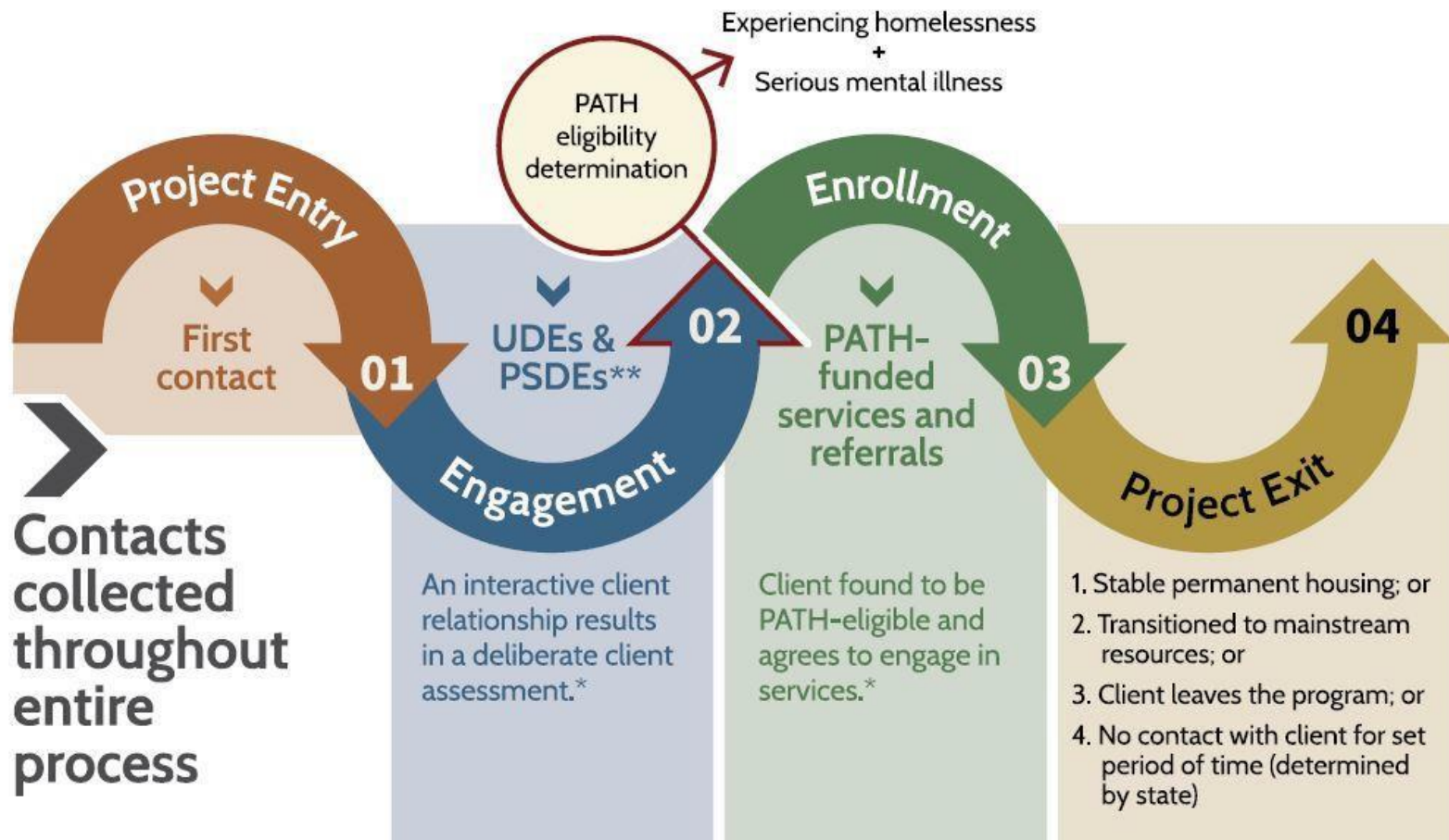
PATH Annual Report

What is the difference between HMIS and the PATH Data Exchange (PDX)?

- HMIS collects client-level data
- PDX reports provider-level data



PATH HMIS Data Collection Workflow



*The date of engagement and date of PATH enrollment may occur on the same date.

**UDEs = universal data elements

PSDEs = program-specific data elements

What's New in the PATH Annual Report

- Based on HMIS data elements that are required for PATH
- Format
- Staff training
- Revisions to data element labels and structure
 - Persons contacted
 - Services provided
 - Referrals provided
- Outcomes
- Connection with SOAR
- Demographic data for persons contacted removed
- Revised definitions

Budget Information

Budget information is not collected in HMIS

1. Federal funds
2. Matching funds
3. Total funds dedicated to PATH-eligible population
4. Number of staff supported by PATH funds
5. Number of FTE staff supported by PATH funds
6. Number of trainings provided by PATH staff
7. Type of organization

Definitions

- **Staff training:** Professional development programs and materials that emphasize best practices and effective service delivery for workers who address the needs of people experiencing homelessness.



Poll Question

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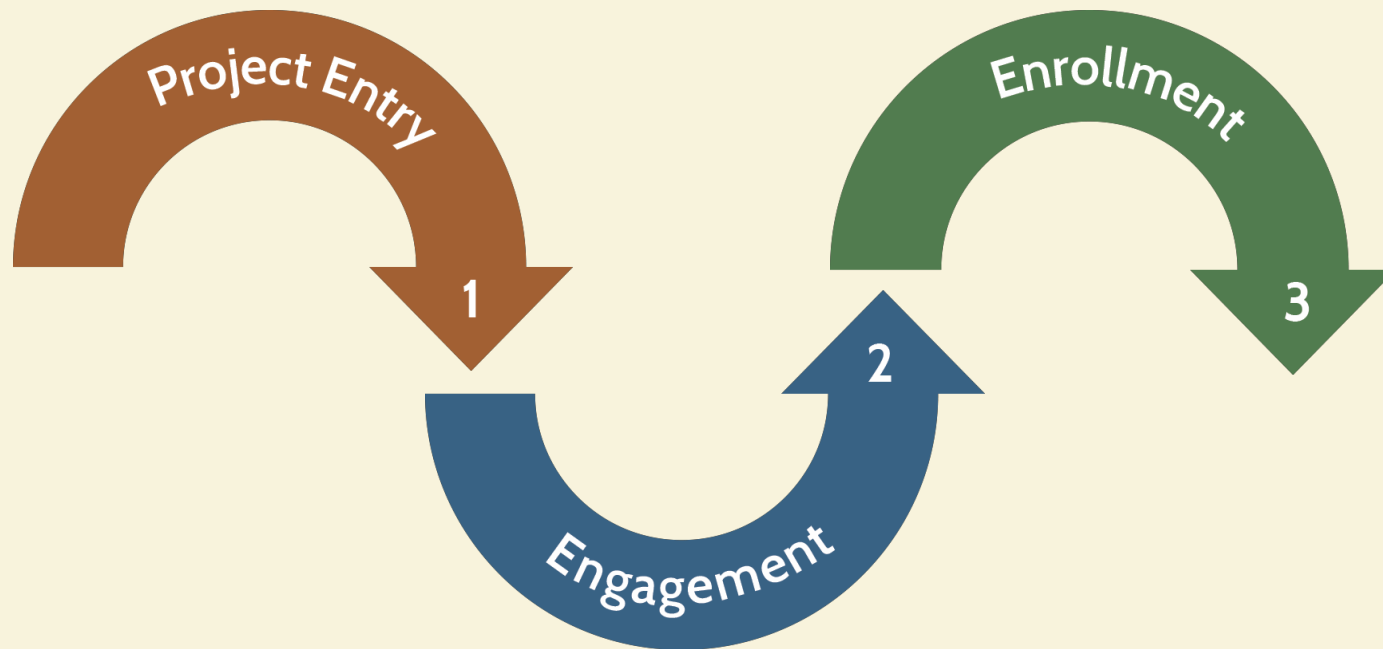
Poll Question

Does your PATH program (for SPCs: any PATH program in your state/territory) provide PATH-funded training to local communities?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. I'm not sure.

Persons Served During This Reporting Period

8. Number of persons contacted by PATH-funded staff this reporting period

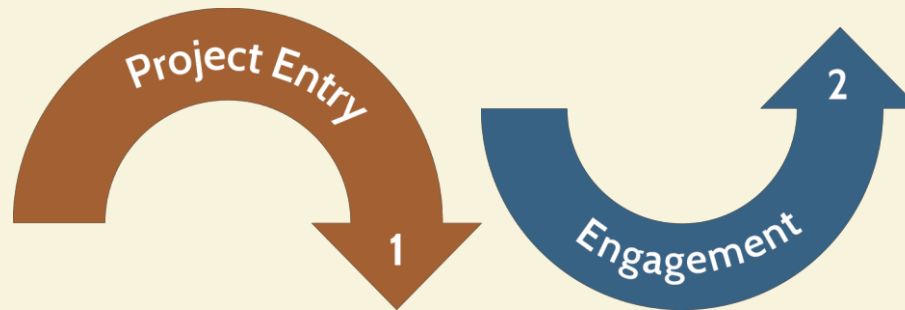


Persons Served During This Reporting Period



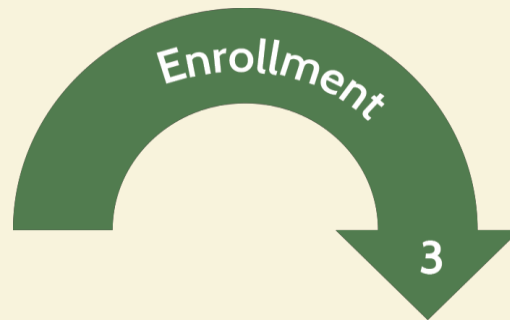
9. Number of persons contacted this reporting period in a PATH Street Outreach project
10. Number of persons contacted this reporting period in a PATH Services Only project
11. Total number of persons contacted this reporting period (#9 + #10)

Persons Served During This Reporting Period



- 12. Instances of contact, from first contact until the date of enrollment, for all active clients who became enrolled this reporting period
- 13. Number of persons contacted this reporting period who could not be enrolled because of ineligibility for PATH

Persons Served During This Reporting Period



- 14. Number of persons contacted this reporting period who became enrolled in PATH
- 15. Number of active, enrolled PATH status at any point during reporting period
- 16. Number of active, enrolled PATH clients receiving community mental health services through any funding source at any point during the reporting period

Definitions

- **Outreach:** The process of identifying and engaging with individuals who are potentially PATH eligible.
- **Contact:** An interaction between a PATH-funded worker or workers and an individual who is potentially PATH eligible or enrolled in PATH.



Definitions

- **PATH eligible:** Per the authorizing legislation, PATH eligible means that an individual has a serious mental illness, or serious mental illness and substance use disorder, and is experiencing homelessness or is at imminent risk of becoming homeless.
- **PATH enrolled:** A PATH-eligible individual and a PATH provider have mutually and formally agreed to engage in services and the provider has initiated an individual file or record for that individual.

Services Provided

- 17a. Reengagement
- 17b. Screening
- 17c. Clinical assessment
- 17d. Habilitation/rehabilitation
- 17e. Community mental health
- 17f. Substance use treatment
- 17g. Case management
- 17h. Residential supportive services
- 17i. Housing minor renovation
- 17j. Housing moving assistance
- 17k. Housing eligibility determination
- 17l. Security deposits
- 17m. One-time rent for eviction prevention



Definitions

- **Reengagement:** The process of engaging with PATH-enrolled individuals who are disconnected from PATH services.
- **Screening:** An in-person process during which a preliminary evaluation is made to determine a person's needs and how they can be addressed through the PATH program.
- **Clinical assessment:** A clinical determination of psychosocial needs and concerns.

Referrals Provided

- 18a1. Community mental health
- 18a2. Substance use treatment
- 18a3. Primary health/dental care
- 18a4. Temporary housing
- 18a5. Permanent housing
- 18a6. Income assistance
- 18a7. Employment assistance
- 18a8. Medical insurance



Definitions

- **Referral:** Active and direct PATH staff support on behalf of or in conjunction with a PATH-enrolled individual to connect to an appropriate agency, organization, or service.
- **Attained referral:** A PATH-enrolled client begins receiving services as the result of PATH assistance.

Definitions

Active and direct PATH staff support on behalf of or in conjunction with a PATH-enrolled individual to connect to an appropriate agency, organization, or service that...

- **Community mental health referral:** ...stabilizes, supports, or treats people for mental health disorders or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders.
- **Substance use treatment referral:** ...offers preventive, diagnostic, and other services and supports for individuals who have psychological and/or physical problems with use of one or more substances.

Definitions

Collection of data for the following three referrals is optional.

Active and direct PATH staff support on behalf of or in conjunction with a PATH-enrolled individual to connect to an appropriate agency, organization, or service that...

- **Job training referral:** ...helps prepare an individual to gain and maintain the skills necessary for paid or volunteer work.
- **Educational services referral:** ...offers academic instruction and training.
- **Housing services referral:** ...offers assistance with attaining and sustaining living accommodations.

Poll Question

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Poll Question

A PATH staff member is working with an enrolled PATH client who is receiving community mental health services. However, the individual is not receiving those services through the PATH program and did not receive a referral from PATH for the service. Where in the new PATH Annual Report would this individual receiving community mental health services be reported?

- a. #16 (Number of active, enrolled PATH clients receiving community mental health services through any funding source at any point during the reporting period)
- b. #17e (Services provided: Community mental health services)
- c. #18a1 and #18b1 (Referrals provided: Received and attained community mental health services)
- d. This would not be reported in the new report.

Outcomes

- 19. Income from any source
- 20. SSI/SSDI
- 21. Non-cash benefits from any source
- 22. Section 8, public housing, or other ongoing rental assistance
- 23. Covered by health insurance
- 24. Medicaid/Medicare
- 25. All other health insurance
- 26. Mental health services
- 27. Substance use services



Outcomes

Outcome measurement

- Number of clients receiving each service/benefit at PATH project entry
- Number of clients receiving each service/benefit at PATH project exit (for those exited from PATH this reporting period)
- Number of clients receiving each service/benefit at report end date (for those still active in PATH as of report end date)

Poll Question

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Poll Question

For which outcomes measures are your PATH programs currently collecting data? Select all that apply.

- a. Income from any source
- b. SSI/SSDI
- c. Non-cash benefits from any source
- d. Section 8, public housing, or other ongoing rental assistance
- e. Covered by health insurance
- f. Medicaid/Medicare
- g. All other health insurance
- h. Mental health services
- i. Substance use services
- j. We are not currently collecting outcome measures for PATH.
- k. For SPCs: Some PATH providers are collecting outcome measures and others are not.

Demographics

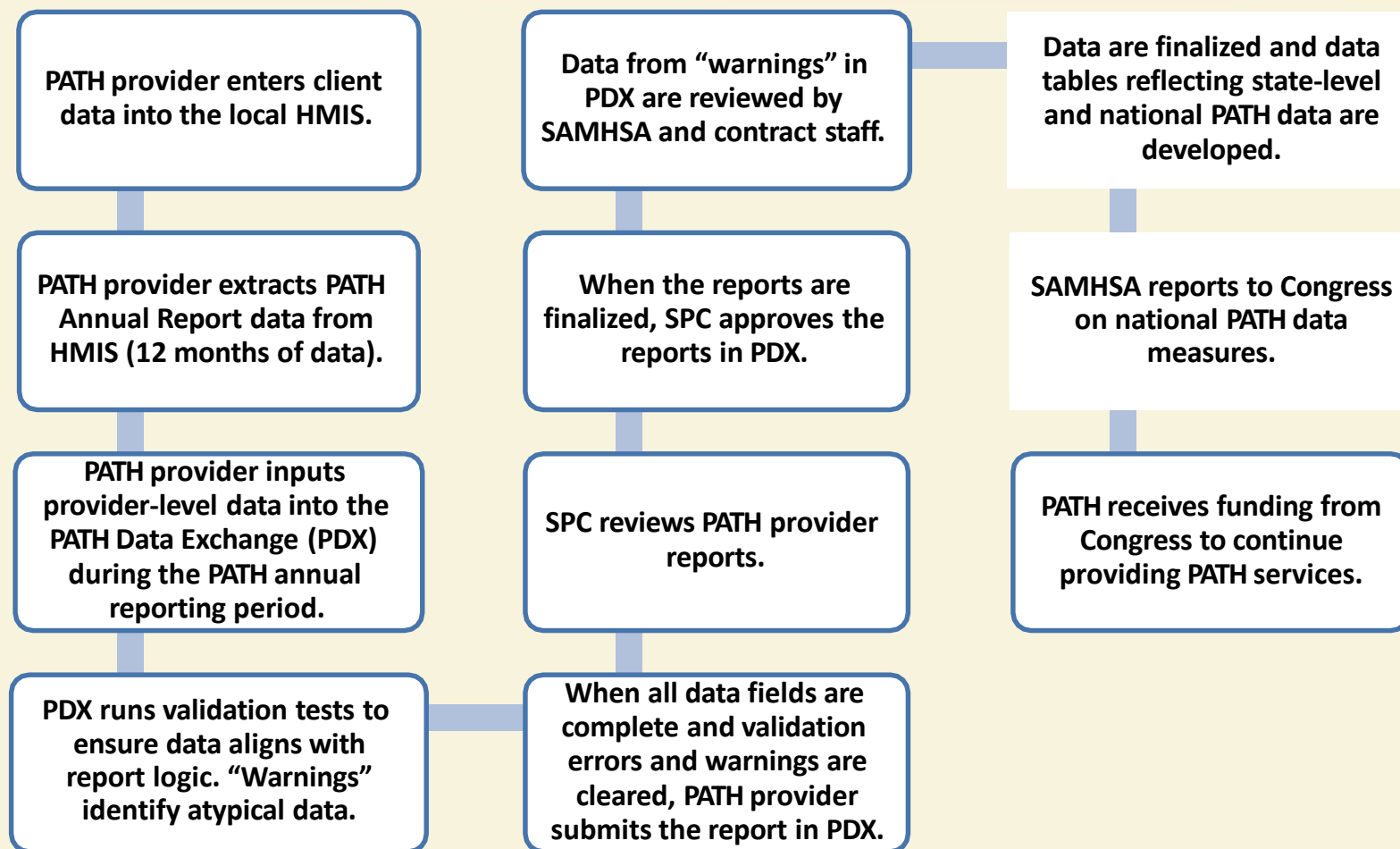
- 28a. Gender
- 28b. Age
- 28c. Race
- 28d. Ethnicity
- 28e. Veteran status
- 28f. Co-occurring disorder
- 28g. SOAR connection
- 28h. Living situation
- 28i. Chronically homeless



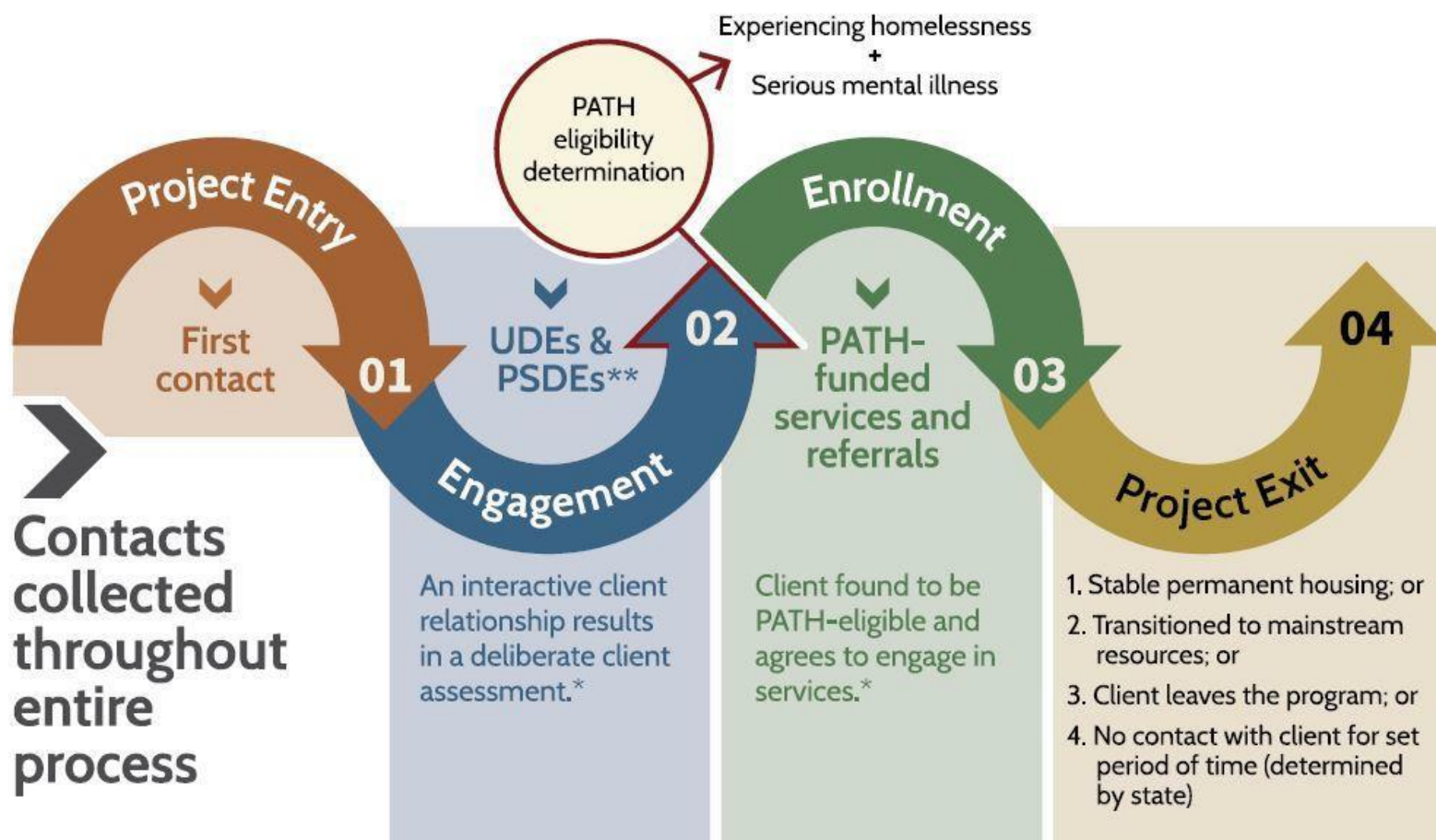
Demographics

- Changes to demographic elements:
 - Client doesn't know
 - Client refused
 - Data not collected
 - Race
 - “Two or more races” category removed
 - All races with which an individual identifies are reported
 - Total for race category may not match total persons enrolled
 - New element: SOAR connection
 - New element: Chronically homeless

PATH Data Collection and Reporting Process



PATH HMIS Data Collection Workflow



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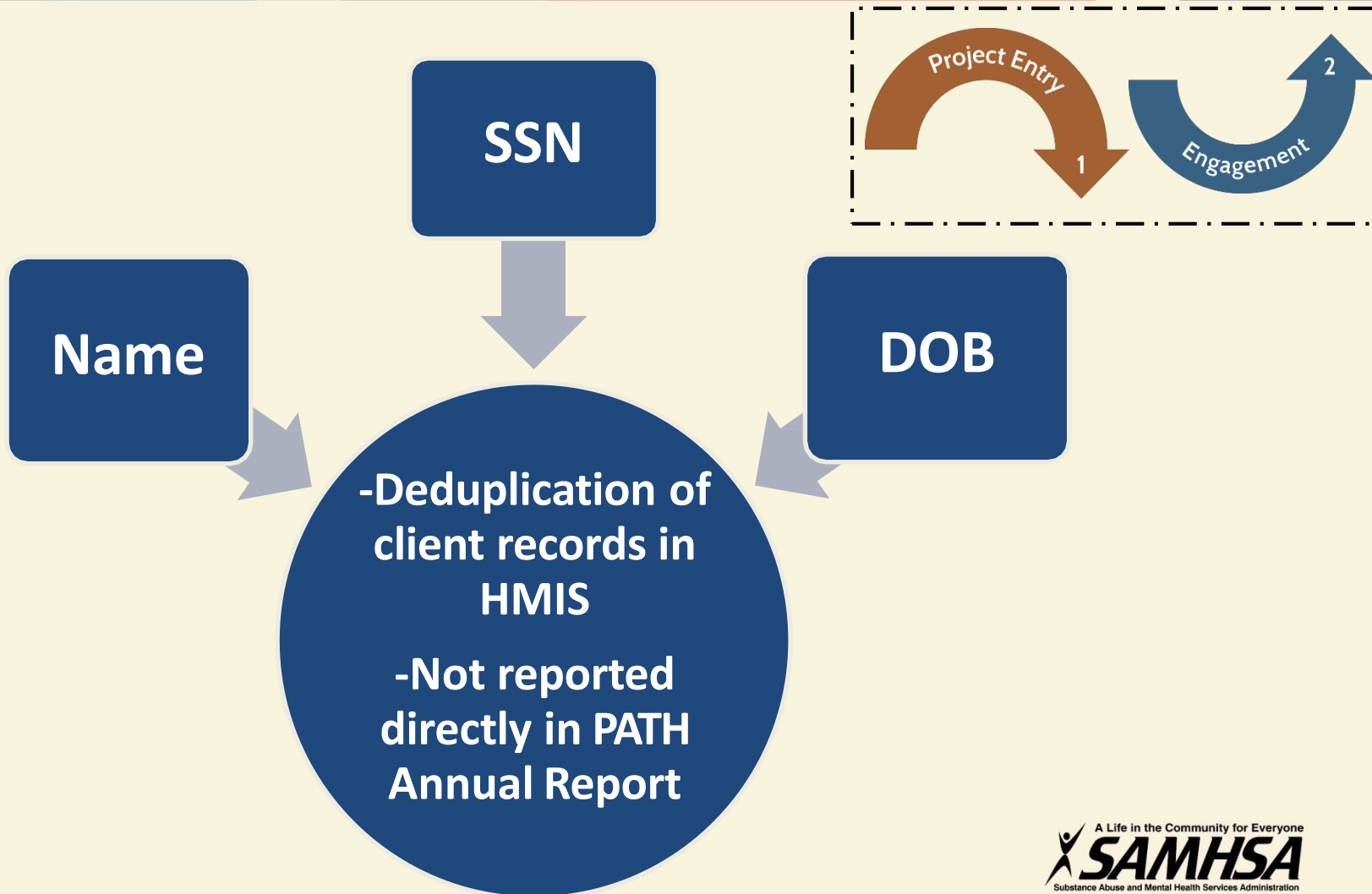
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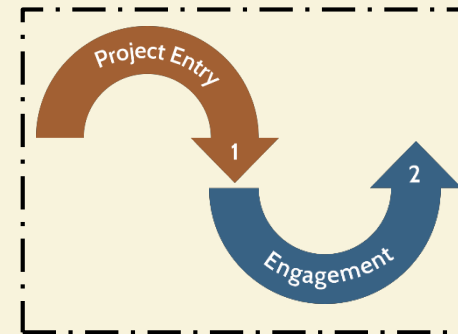
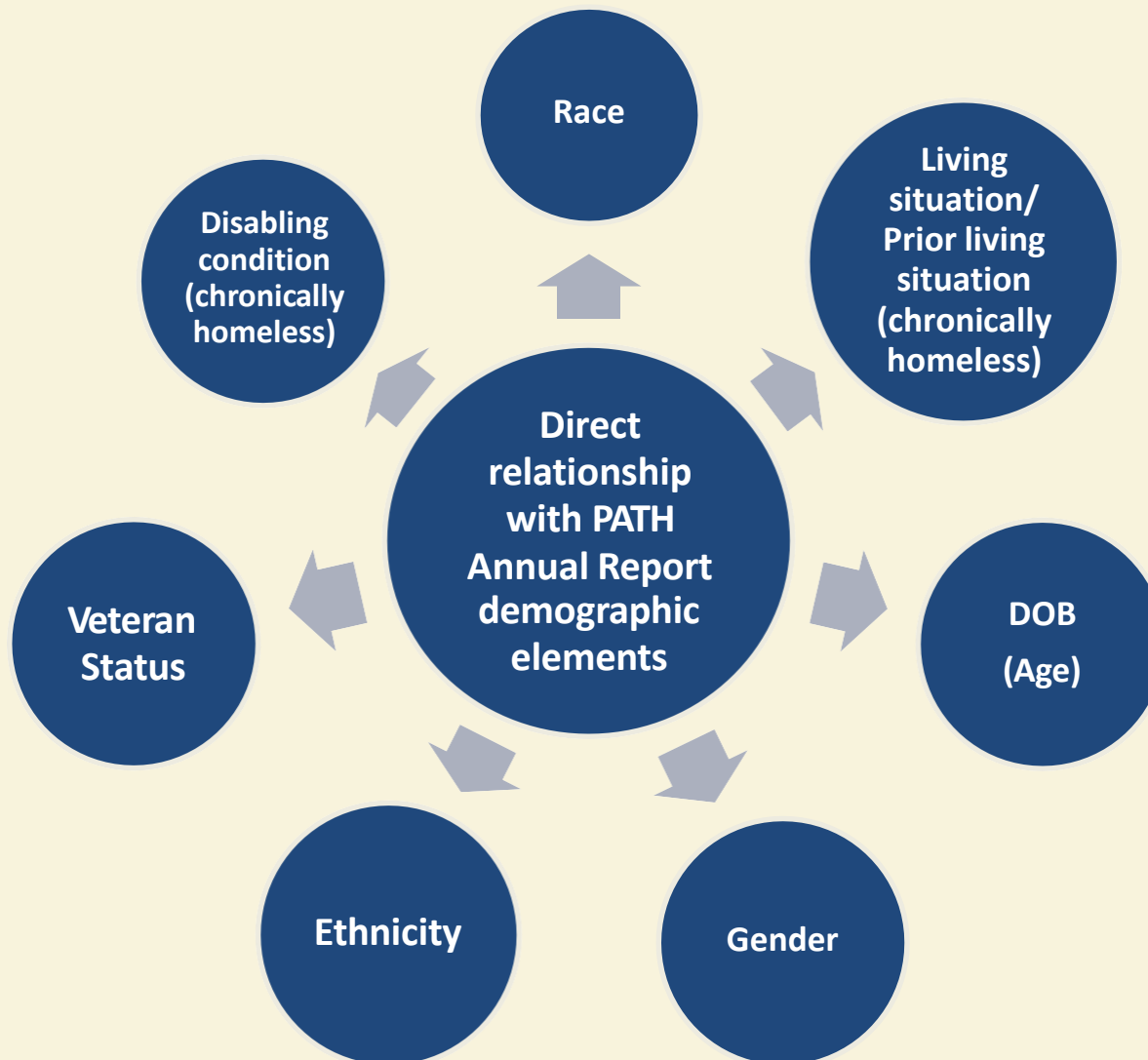
Universal Data Elements

- Name
- Social Security number
- Date of birth
- Race
- Ethnicity
- Gender
- Veteran status
- Disabling condition
- Living situation/prior living situation
- Project entry date
- Project exit date
- Destination
- Relationship to head of household
- Client location

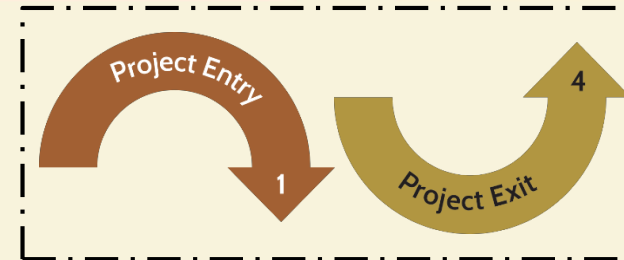
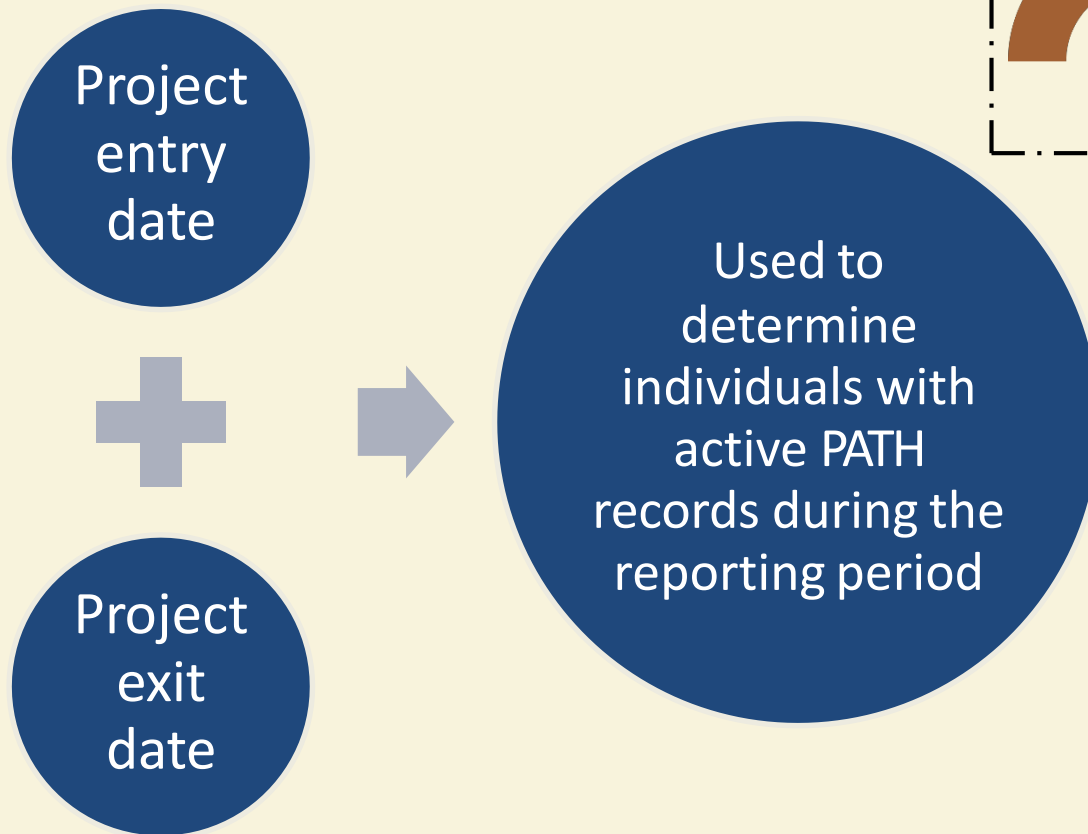
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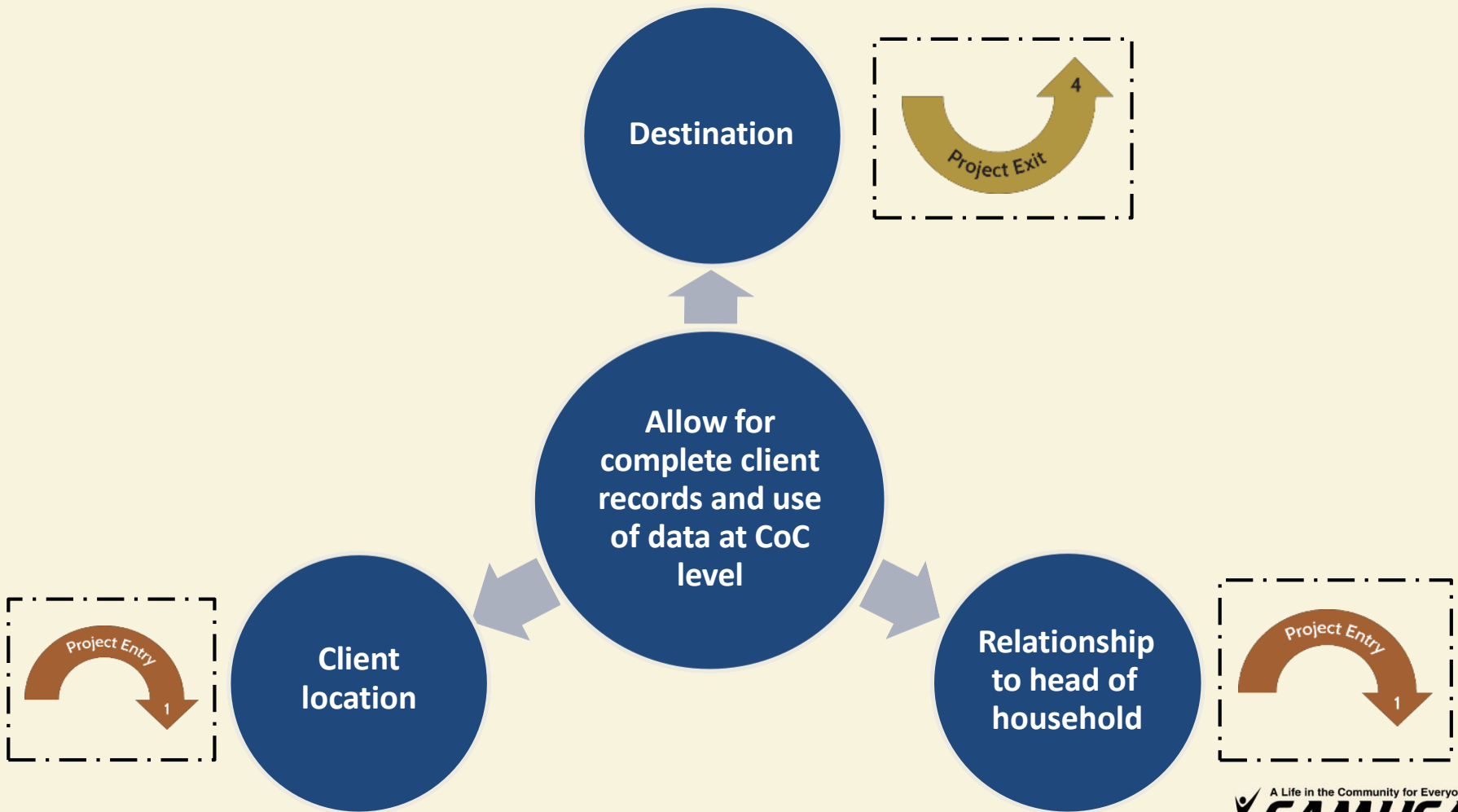
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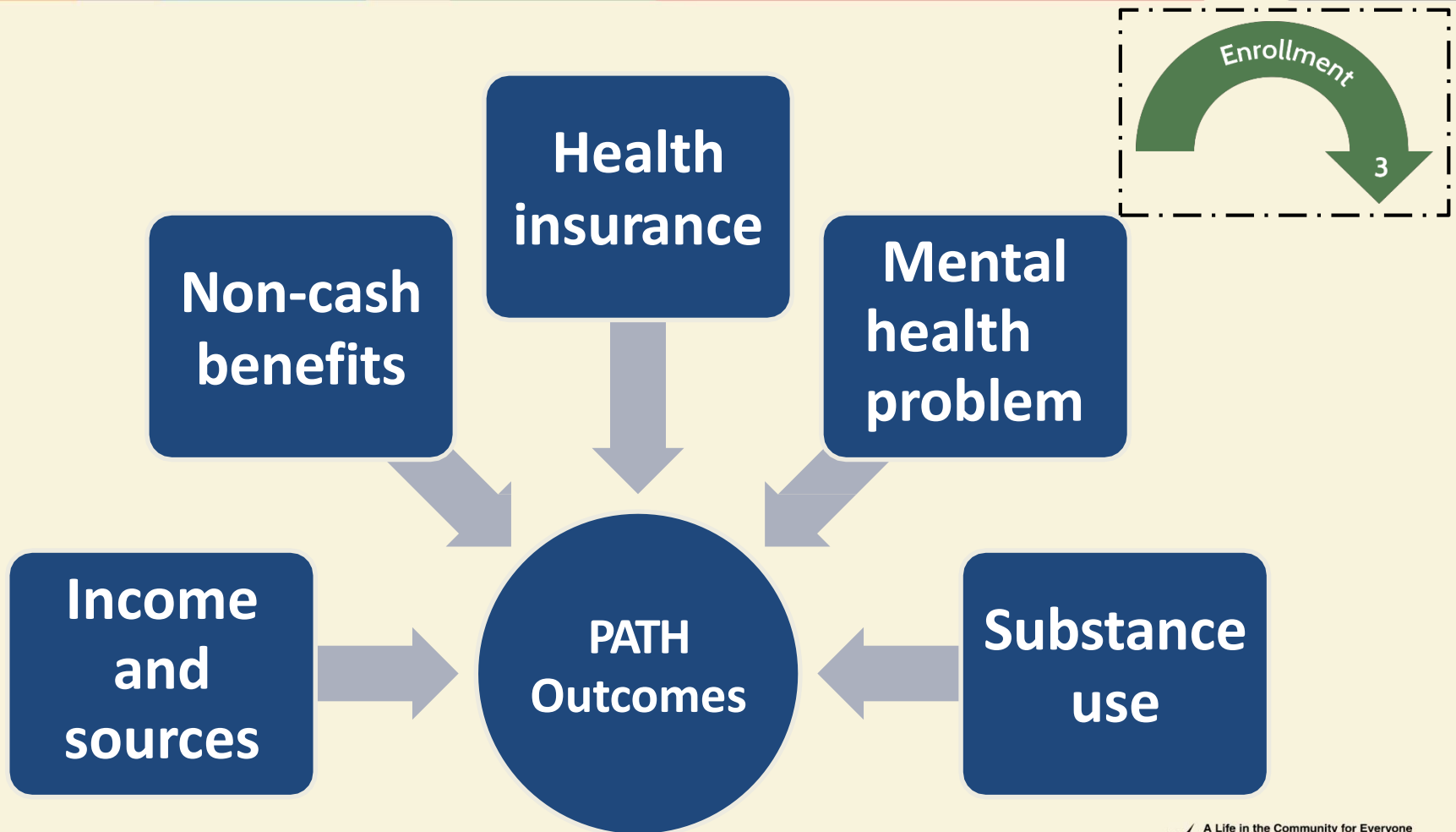
Universal Data Elements



Program-specific Data Elements

- Housing status
- Income and sources
- Non-cash benefits
- Health insurance
- Physical disability
- Developmental disability
- Chronic health condition
- Mental health problem
- Substance abuse
- Contact
- Date of engagement
- Services provided – PATH funded
- Referrals provided – PATH
- PATH status
- Connection with SOAR

Program-specific Data Elements



Program-specific Data Elements

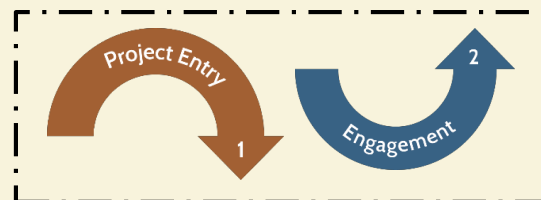
Elements used for CoC data and to determine client eligibility for CoC programs

Housing status

Physical disability

Developmental disability

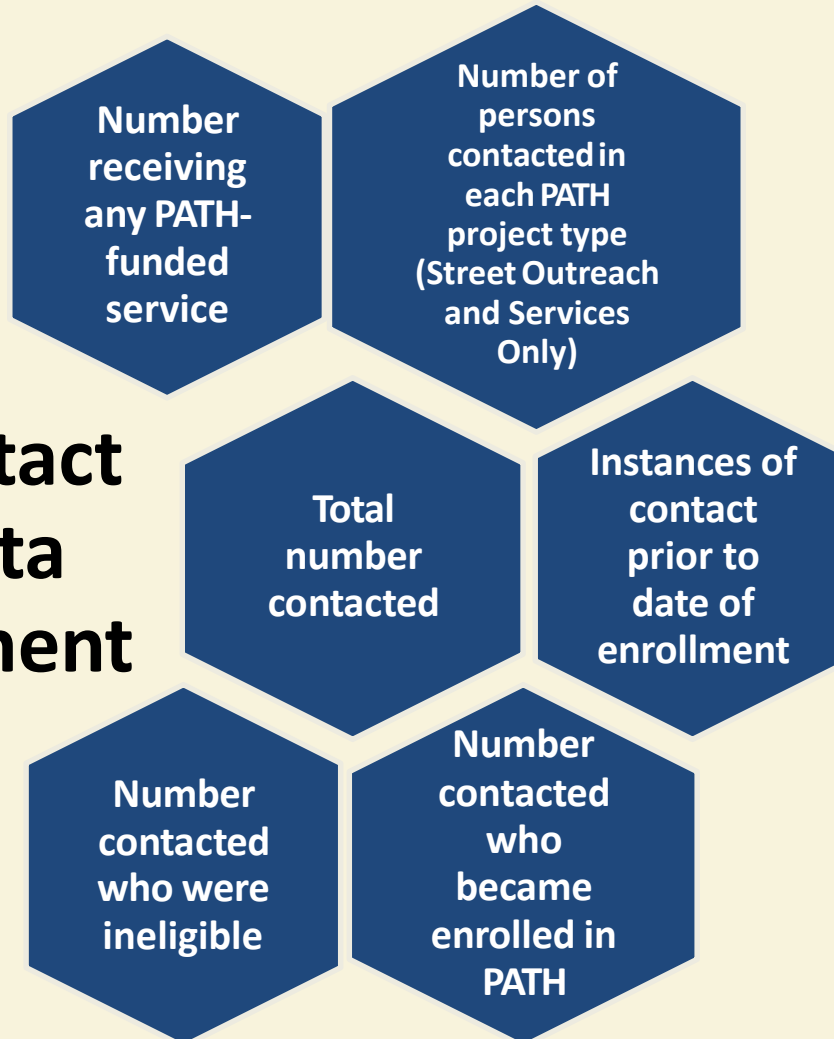
Chronic health condition



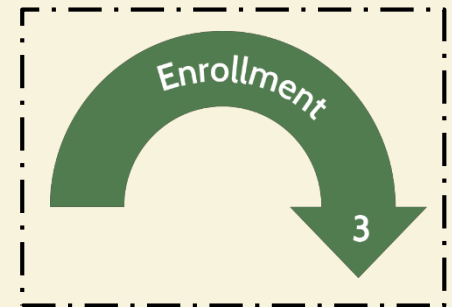
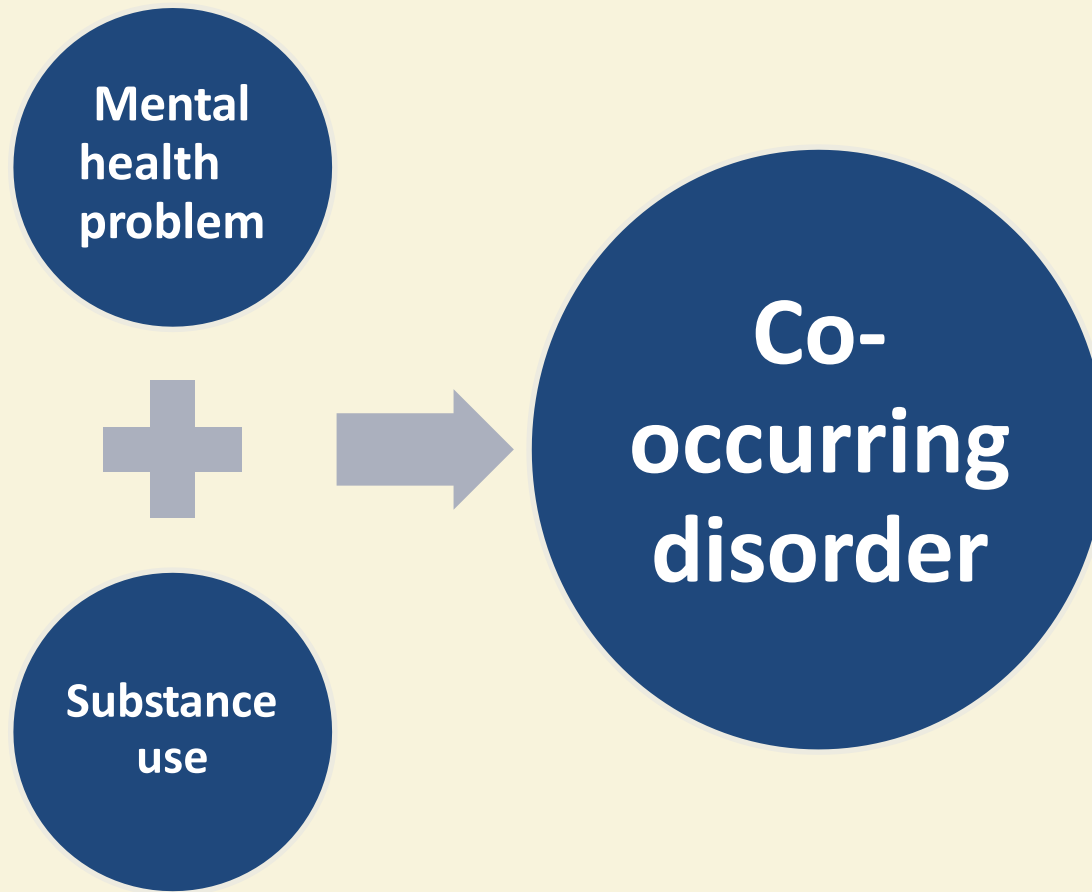
Program-specific Data Elements

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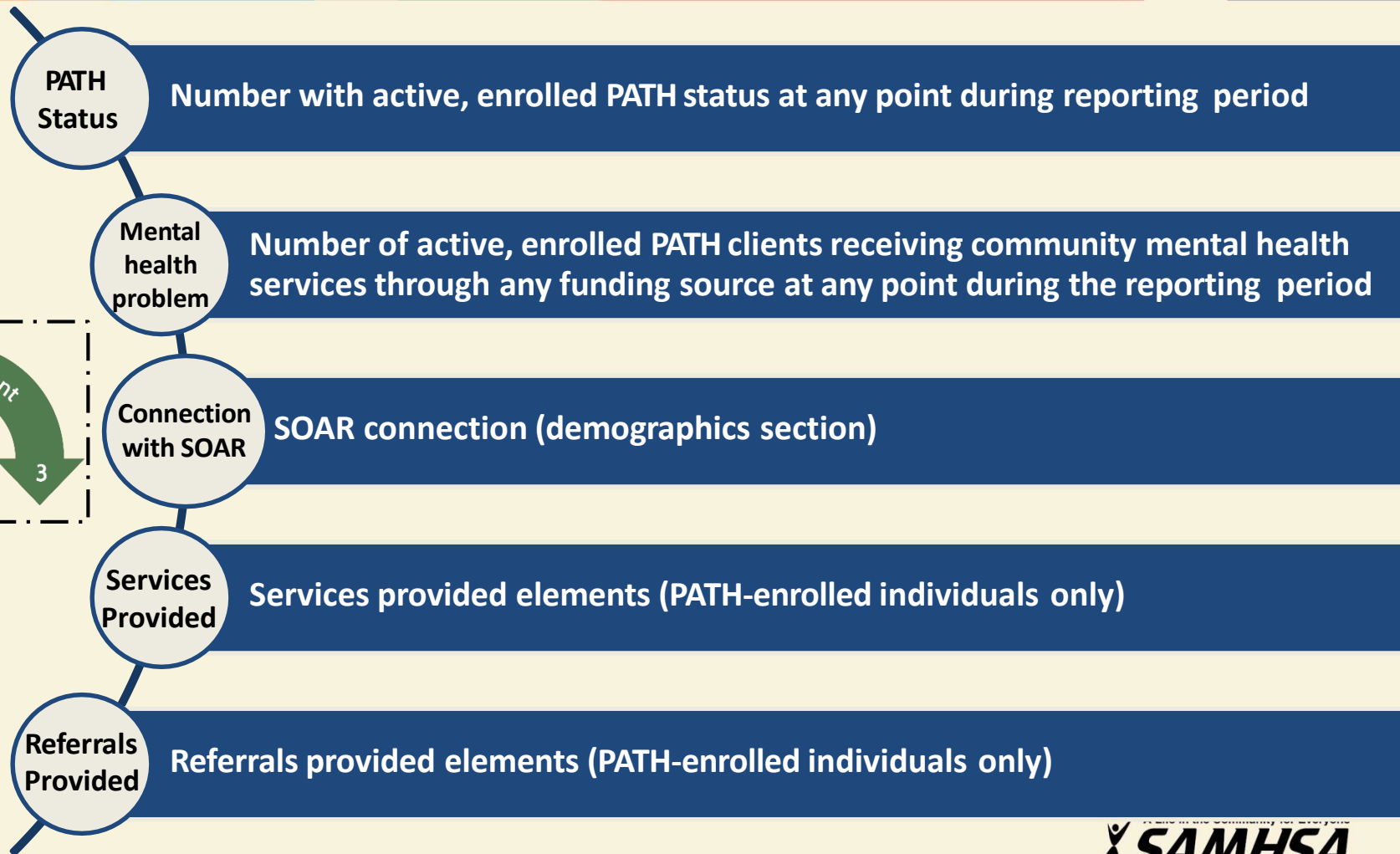
Contact data element



Program-specific Data Elements



Program-specific Data Elements



Next Steps

- **If you are not yet using HMIS for PATH data collection:**

- **Providers: Notify your State PATH Contact**

- Provide information about the transition barriers you are facing
- Provide a timeline and action steps for completing the transition

- **State PATH Contacts: Notify your SAMHSA Government Project Officer**

- Provide information about providers who are not using HMIS and the barriers they are facing
- Provide a timeline and action steps for all PATH providers to complete the HMIS transition



Next Steps

- **If you are using HMIS for PATH data collection:**
 - Ensure PATH project setup in HMIS is accurate.
 - Ensure that data collection workflow is accurate.
 - When the new report is programmed in your local HMIS (completed by HMIS vendors), run test reports to ensure the data is accurate.
- **Request technical assistance if needed**
 - PATH providers should contact their State PATH Contact.
 - State PATH Contacts should contact their SAMHSA GPO and PATH HMIS learning community manager.

Questions



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